

constitutional or invalid the remainder of this Act shall nevertheless remain in effect.

SEC. 18. The fact that many schools in rural districts are in need of aid, and that public policy requires that proper provision be made for the maintenance and support of the schools with as little delay as possible, and the further fact that considerable time is required in preparation for carrying out the terms of this Act, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be and the same is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

[NOTE: The Governor attached to H. B. No. 1 a veto message, signed by him, dated July 8, 1928, vetoing the appropriation in said Bill. His signature does not appear on the enrolled bill either approving or vetoing it. Said bill passed the House, 102 yeas, 0 nays; amended and passed by the Senate, 26 yeas, 1 nay; House refused to concur in Senate amendments and a conference committee was appointed; House adopted conference report, 103 yeas, 0 nays; Senate adopted conference report by a viva voce vote. Received in the Governor's office June 28, 1929, and in the Department of State July 8, 1929.]

AUTHORIZING SURVEY OF UNDERGROUND WATER SUPPLY.

H. B. No. 16.]

CHAPTER 37.

An Act authorizing the State Board of Water Engineers to have made a scientific and sanitary study and investigation and report on the sources, amount and quality of the underground water supply in Texas, and the conservation, maintenance and supplementing of the same, for the scientific protection of the water supply for domestic and municipal uses, irrigation uses, and providing for cooperation of State Department of Health; and appropriating out of the general revenues of Texas, \$25,000.00 for each of the two years of this biennium, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That the State Board of Water Engineers of Texas are hereby authorized and empowered to have made a scientific and sanitary study and investigation and report of the sources, amount and quality of the underground water supply, together with a study, investigation and report upon the feasible conservation, maintenance and supplementing of said supply. Such work shall be first undertaken by said Board in the territories where, in their judgment, the greatest need therefor exists, and in determining said need, said Board shall look to the interest and welfare of domestic and municipal uses, irrigation uses, and all other uses, which in their judgment,

are essential to the welfare of the business interests of the State, and in the health of its citizens. In the prosecution of which investigation it shall be the duty of the State Department of Health to lend all such cooperation as the interests of the public Health requires, provided none of the funds so appropriated shall be used in the drilling of any well for the discovery of water.

SEC. 2. That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of \$25,000.00 per year for the ensuing biennium, or as much thereof as shall be necessary for said purpose, out of the general revenues of the State of Texas, to defray expenses of the investigation and report specified in the preceding section.

SEC. 3. The fact that in many sections of the State of Texas there are municipalities that secure their water from underground supply, and many sections carry on intensive irrigation from underground supply, and because of the great demand upon the underground water supply, it is very important that said supply should be conserved, maintained and supplemented, and that a scientific study should be made to determine impurities thereof, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and said Rule is hereby suspended and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and it is so enacted.

[Appropriation vetoed. The Bill does not bear the signature of the Governor, the veto being in a separate veto message, signed by the Governor and attached to the bill.]

Effective 90 days after adjournment.

[NOTE: H. B. No. 16 passed the House by a viva voce vote; passed the Senate by a vote of 15 yeas, 8 nays. Received in Executive office July 2, 1929. Received in Department of State July 8, 1929, without the Governor's signature. Items of appropriations vetoed.]

PROVIDING FOR A STATUE AT FORT PARKER MONUMENT.

H. B. No. 39.]

CHAPTER 38.

An Act appropriating Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars to be applied upon the purchase of a statue to be placed upon the Fort Parker monument, when a like sum is raised by public subscription; appointing Commissioners to purchase said statue and use said funds therefor, and to withdraw such appropriation upon their affidavits of the collection of such like sum by public subscription; providing for selection of successors, in case of necessity, of such Commissioners; appropriating the necessary funds to pay additional compensation of Supreme Court Stenographers; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That the sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated from any unap-